

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<i>In re</i> Patent Application of	Mail Stop AF
Mikhail Kejzelman et al.	Group Art Unit: 1742
Application No.: 10/689,656	) Examiner: Christopher S. Kessler
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For: METHOD OF PREPARING IRON-BASED COMPONENTS	

## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a reply to the final Office Action dated October 19, 2006. A Petition for Extension of Time (one-month) is submitted herewith. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: